

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

As a citizen interested in what is going on in our country and the world, I am finding it harder and harder to find a media outlet that just relays the news and doesn't editorialize. Keeping as much diversity in our news media is a must for a democracy to survive. When commercial news outlets continue to goose step with the administration it brings to mind the communist propaganda we used to hear was so wrong a very few years back. We appear to be headed in that direction ourselves, and I'm very worried about what direction our democracy is headed. I have to listen to the BBC and public radio now to get any diversity in the news. Please consider the laws against monopolies in this country, and the anti trust laws set up specifically to counter act the direction the FCC seems to be headed.